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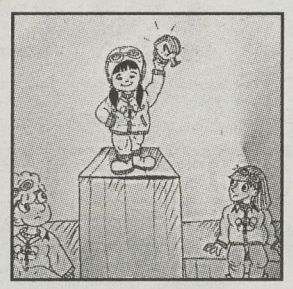

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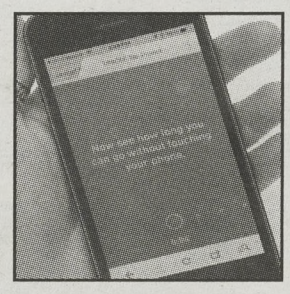

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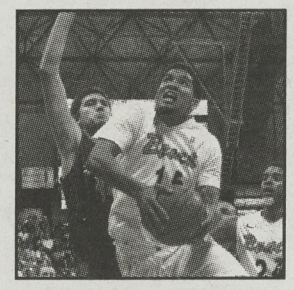

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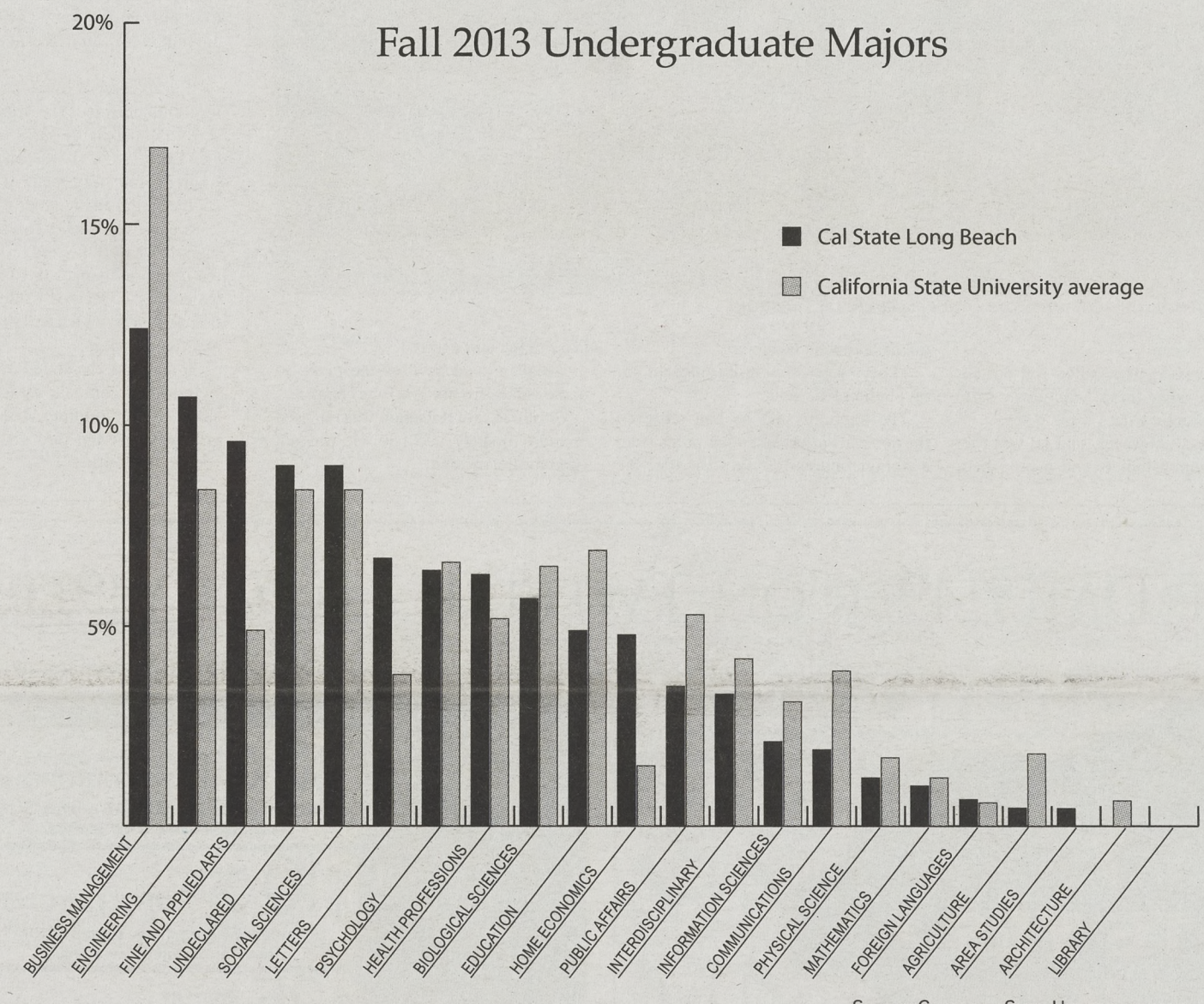


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# MAJOR DIFFERENCE

## The five most popular groups of majors at Cal State Long Beach vary significantly from those of other Cal State University campuses.

**BY SHANE NEWELL**
*City Editor*

The ratio of undergraduate students studying business management compared to foreign languages at Cal State Long Beach is more than 18 to 1, according to new data from the Cal State University.

More than 3,700 CSULB students sought bachelor's degrees in business management in the fall, comprising the most popular group of majors on campus, according to CSU data.

Business management, a collection of nine majors at CSULB including accountancy, business administration and marketing, represented the majors of more than 12 percent of CSULB undergraduates, according to the CSU.

College of Business Administration Dean Michael Solt said he was pleased to be in the field of business-management.

"I'm very proud of our college," he said. "Over the last few years, we've been putting more and more effort into our student center for success."

Solt said the CBA focuses a lot of effort on helping students to get internships, bringing guest

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## BY THE NUMBERS

More than 25 percent of Cal State Fullerton undergraduates study business management.

More than 14 percent of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo undergraduates study agriculture. CSULB has none.

The third most common group of majors in the CSU are undeclared students.

Only 43 out of 18,739 Cal Poly San Luis Obispo undergraduates (0.2 percent) study foreign languages.

135 of the 373 CSU students majoring in area studies go to CSULB.

# New housing policies restrict space for returning residents

## Triple-occupancy rooms will be a new option on the housing application for fall.

**BY PRISCELLA VEGA**
*Assistant News Editor*

Housing and Residential Life has set new policies and restrictions for students looking to live on campus in the fall, as applicants exceed the number of beds available.

Beginning in 2014-15, Housing and Residential Life will guarantee rooms for all incoming freshmen, along with the first 500 returning residents who meet the housing application deadline, said Carol Roberts-Corb, director of housing and residential life.

Prior to the policy shift, all returning residents who submitted their housing applications on time were guaranteed a room. Athletes and President's Scholars, whose scholarships usually guaranteed them a spot on campus, are also expected to meet the deadline, Roberts-Corb said.

"Current residents always had priority, and we took as many that wanted housing, but we deduced we can't do that," Roberts-Corb said. "The basic exception is, no matter who you are, you must meet the deadline."

During the 2013-14 academic year, students applying for housing faced a wait list for the first time in five years, which Robert-Corbs attributed to an increase in international students and Cal State Long Beach's efforts to increase recruitment of out-of-state students.

To counteract the influx of applicants, some residents in Beachside College were also placed in triple-occupancy rooms with only a few weeks' notice.

The Beachside residents assigned to triple-occupancy rooms in the fall were offered a full refund on any housing fees they had paid, a $275 Beach Club card, a parking pass for the year and priority housing registration for the spring semester.

Triple-occupancy rooms will be kept as an option for residents in 2014-15, Roberts-Corb said.

This year will be the first time that housing application's will offer a triple-occupancy option for residents.

"We're keeping [triple-occupancy rooms] in Beachside, but we're still

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# Alumnus' car searched on campus

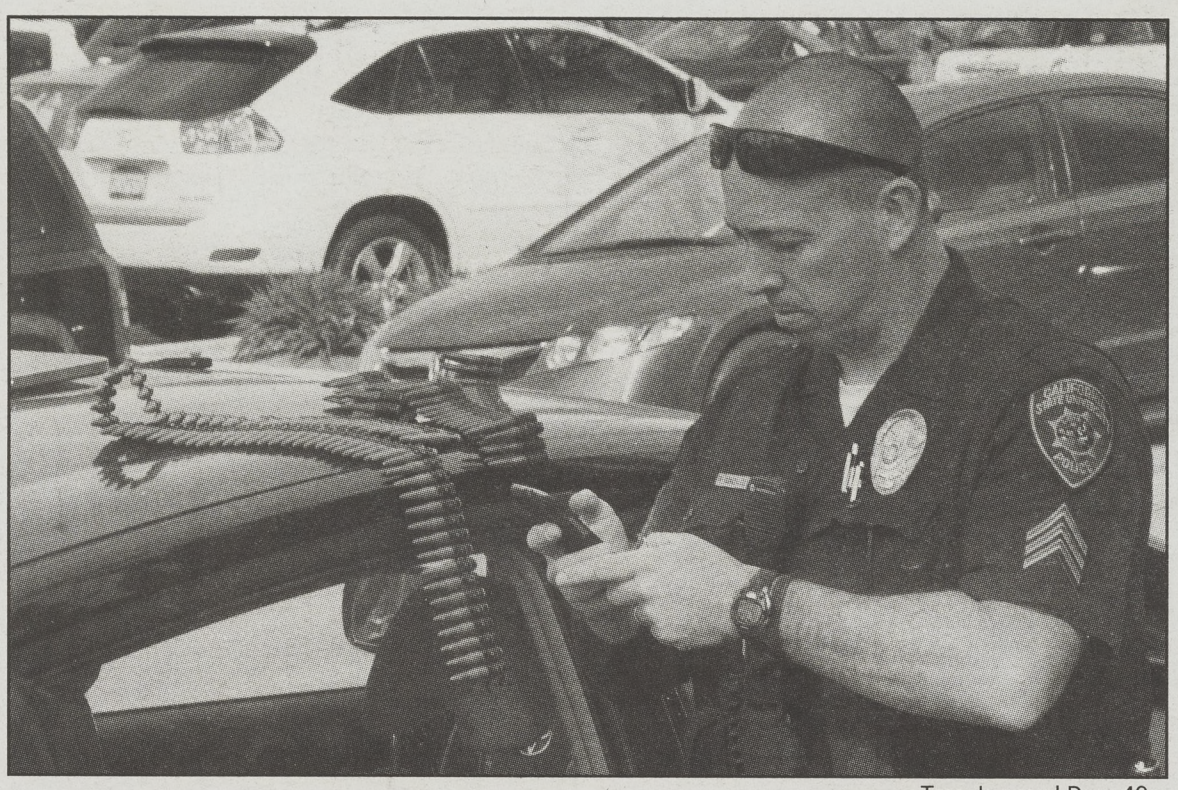
By Shane Newell
*City Editor*

University Police surrounded Carlo Rabadam's car with their weapons drawn yesterday as the Cal State Long Beach alumnus visited campus to pick up his girlfriend.

At approximately 1:40 p.m., Rabadam was waiting in his car near the Foundation building when officers ordered him to get out of his vehicle and searched his car, Rabadam said.

"My mindset was 'Do whatever they say to do,'" said Rabadam, who had been parked for about 15 minutes before University Police arrived. "I didn't want to do anything stupid. I'm still in shock. I've never been in handcuffs before."

University Police Lt. Richard Goodwin said that police received a call from a student who saw a bandolero, or a cartridge belt that holds ammunition, in Rabadam's car.



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*University Police Officer Ray Gonzalez documents fake ammunition found in a recent Cal State Long Beach graduate's car on State University Drive Tuesday.*

"The person who called [in] did exactly the right thing," Goodwin said. "That's exactly what I want to see."

Rabadam, however, said he was carrying dummy bullets and a prop belt, not an authentic bandolero.

"They were straight-up huge [dummy] bullets," he said.

The alumnus said he had retrieved the dummy bullets and other props from a storage unit earlier Tuesday after the lease to the unit expired.

Rabadam said he uses the props to make videos for his YouTube channel.

Goodwin said Rabadam was released at approximately 1:55 p.m. He was not cited for the incident.

## Housing

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convinced we won't have enough beds for everyone who wants one," Roberts-Corb said. "That's why we made the decision to put a cap on the numbers on returning students."

Residents who opt for a triple-occupancy rate will pay approximately 13 percent less than a double occupancy; however, the exact price will vary based on the meal plan they choose.

Some residents expressed their resentment toward the last-minute change, but Roberts-Corb said that ultimately, very few people moved out of the triple-occupancy rooms.

"I think a lot of it was that [housing] implemented the triples late, so it took people by surprise," Roberts-Corb said. "It was unexpected whereas for next year, it'll be a choice on the application."

Roberts-Corb said Housing also plans to convert the study rooms and the common lounges in Los Alamitos and Los Cerritos Colleges into double rooms, which will provide 98 additional spaces.

In addition, the suite kitchen and living room common areas in Hillside College buildings A through F will be converted into double bedrooms, she said.

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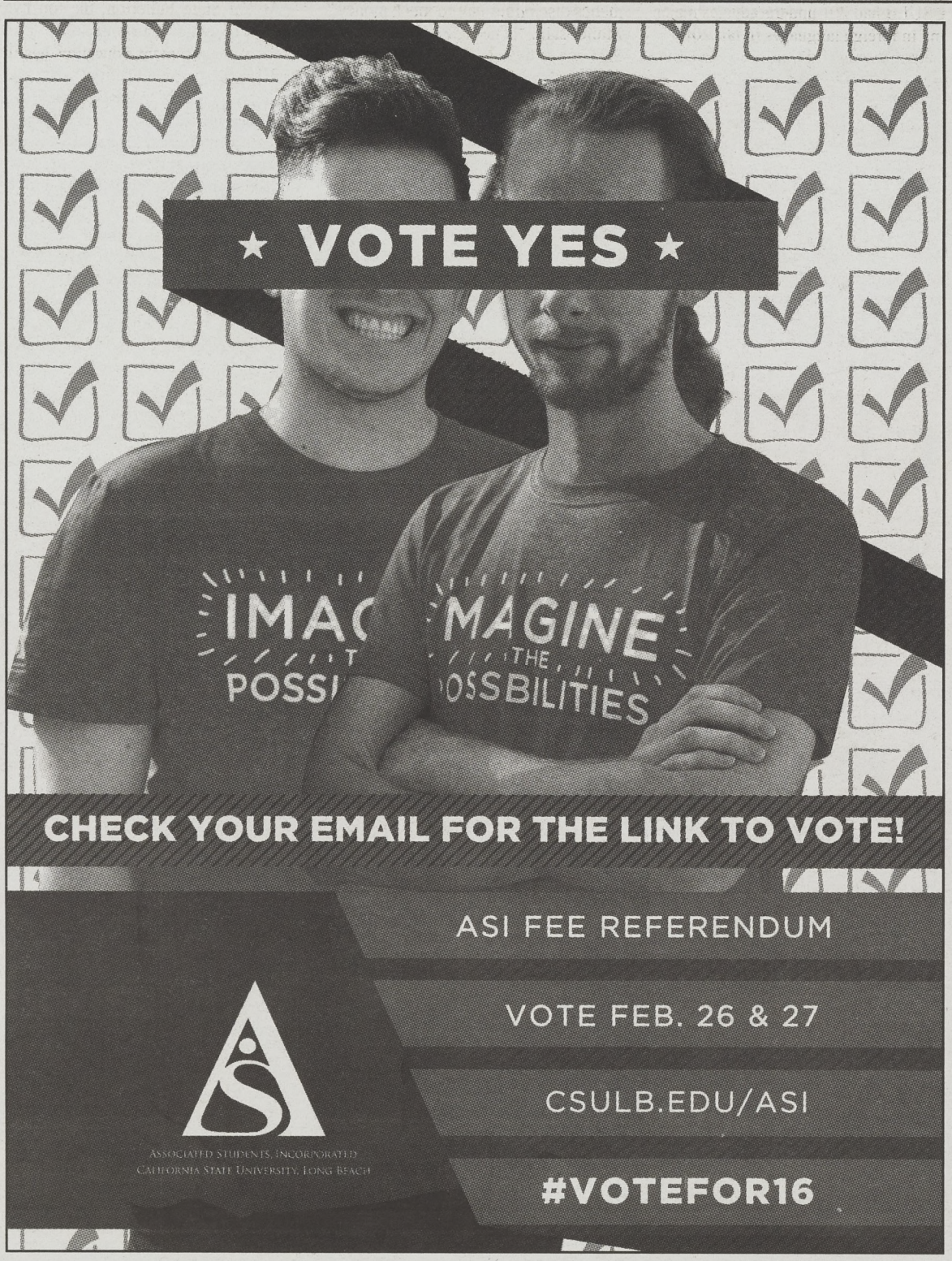


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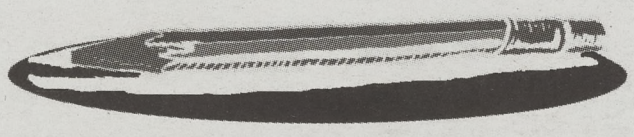


# Students react to political and social unrest in Ukraine

## Last week's protests leave 77 dead and nearly 600 wounded.

**By Emily Rasmussen and Cynthia Mauleon**
*Staff Writers*

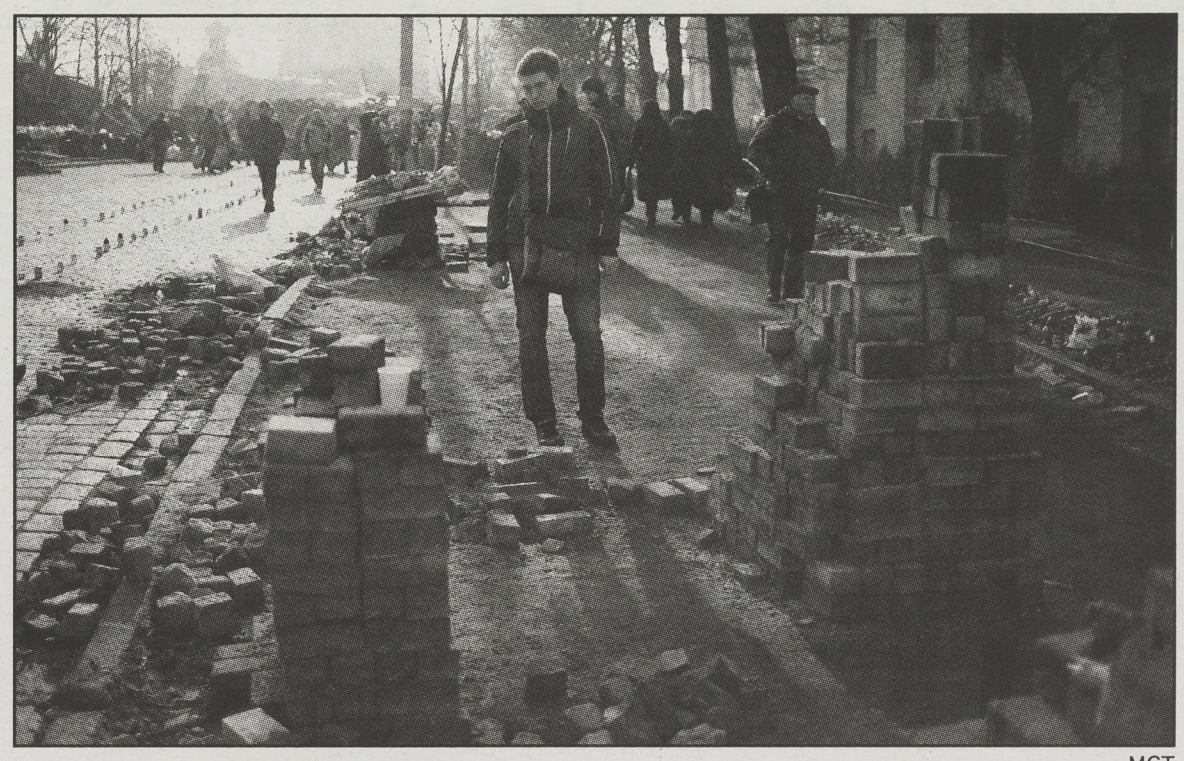
Violence and protests in Ukraine have calmed since an interim government took control of the country and issued an arrest warrant for former Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovych, who fled the country's capital, Kiev.

For freshman computer science major Mars Farahat, an international student from Egypt, the situation looks all too familiar.

"My country is in revolution right now, and I just think people should get along," Farahat said. "Let people be. I think politicians fight and … innocent people die; that's what happens and nothing gets fixed."

Farahat said he is disappointed to see Ukraine experiencing issues similar to those suffered in his country.

It's a sentiment echoed by other CSULB students.



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*Residents of the city of Kiev clean the streets after anti-government protests end in Ukraine.*

"I think it's very devastating," Malena Hanson, a sophomore journalism major, said. Hanson said she learned about the Ukrainian unrest on television, where images of protestors and police in riot gear circulated widely.

"I know that a lot of people were injured," Hanson said. "I think it's really sad and I think it's good that they're trying to promote change, but I feel that the way they're doing it isn't the best. I don't think people should be dying."

Protesters flooded the capital in November after Yanukovych rejected a deal that would have increased trade agreements between Central Europe and Ukraine, and helped to modernize Ukraine's economy, according to BBC News.

Instead, Yanukovych accepted $15 billion in loans and cheaper gas supplies from Russian President Vladimir Putin.

The violence escalated in January, when the Ukrainian Parliament passed anti-protest laws in an effort to cap opposition, according to BBC News.

On Feb. 18, police and rioters began exchanging gunfire while police attempted to clear a peaceful protest camp. As a result, 77 people were killed and nearly 600 were wounded, according to BBC.

Both police and protestors were injured, and many of the protestors involved were also students, according to BBC.

Jeremiah Smith, a senior English major, said he doesn't think people are fully informed about the issue occurring abroad.

"No one knows s**t about it, all we hear is second-hand news stories," Smith said. "Honestly, the only place I've heard about it was on the TV in [the library while I was] waiting for a computer. I hope they start a worldwide revolution … Everybody wants to die for something they believe in."

## Majors

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speakers to campus and providing workshops for students.

"What distinguishes us is that we begin in the classroom, but we don't end in the classroom," Solt said.

The second most popular group of majors on campus in the fall was engineering, according to the CSU website.

Engineering, a group of 17 different majors, saw 3,270 undergraduates enrolled in the fall. These engineering majors represented approximately 10.7 percent of all undergraduate students at CSULB, according to the CSU website.

For junior construction engineering and management major Nathan Hirschfield, his experience in engineering has been fairly positive.

"[Engineering] is surprisingly social," Hirschfield said. "I've had issues getting classes in the past. Some are only offered once a week, and they fill up really quickly. But I'd say there are enough resources."

The CSULB groups with the next highest number of enrolled undergraduate students are, in decreasing order, fine and applied arts majors, undeclared students and social science majors.

The CSULB groups with the lowest numbers of enrolled students are, however, foreign languages, architecture and area studies.

According to the CSU website, CSULB had 201 undergraduates majoring in foreign languages in fall 2013.

Romance, German, Russian Languages and Literatures Department Chair Markus Muller said the low level of enrollment in foreign language majors is not something new.

"If anything, we're holding the ground," Muller said. "Quality [in education] always outweighs quantity."

Muller said that while the number of foreign language majors is low compared to the number of students studying business and engineering, current students should not be deterred from pursuing a foreign language degree.

"I think it's a myth that [the] Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics disciplines pay so much money," Muller said. "[The RGRLL department has] good, high-quality graduates that find jobs."

Muller said that the RGRLL department has been affected by budget cuts in recent years. He added that the department has started offering hybrid courses that allow students to cover more material in a shorter period of time.

Compared to other campuses and the CSU as a whole, foreign languages consistently ranked among the lowest in terms of enrollment, according to the CSU website.

Compared to other CSU campuses, though, the top majors at CSULB differed significantly.

At Cal State Fullerton, the top five groups of majors for fall 2013 were business management, education, health professions, communications and psychology, according to the CSU website.

Meanwhile, the most popular majors at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo were engineering, agriculture, business-management, education and biological sciences, according to the CSU website.

*Assistant Sports Editor Alex Campos contributed to this report.*


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# OUR VIEW: The IOC should address concerns

Even after the Olympic Torch was extinguished on Sunday, controversy continues to surround the Sochi Winter Olympics.

Whether it's the questionable hotel accommodations or the anti-gay propaganda, Sochi hasn't been able to catch a break.

The latest controversy with the women's figure skating results has put the credibility of the International Olympic Committee's judging process on thin ice.

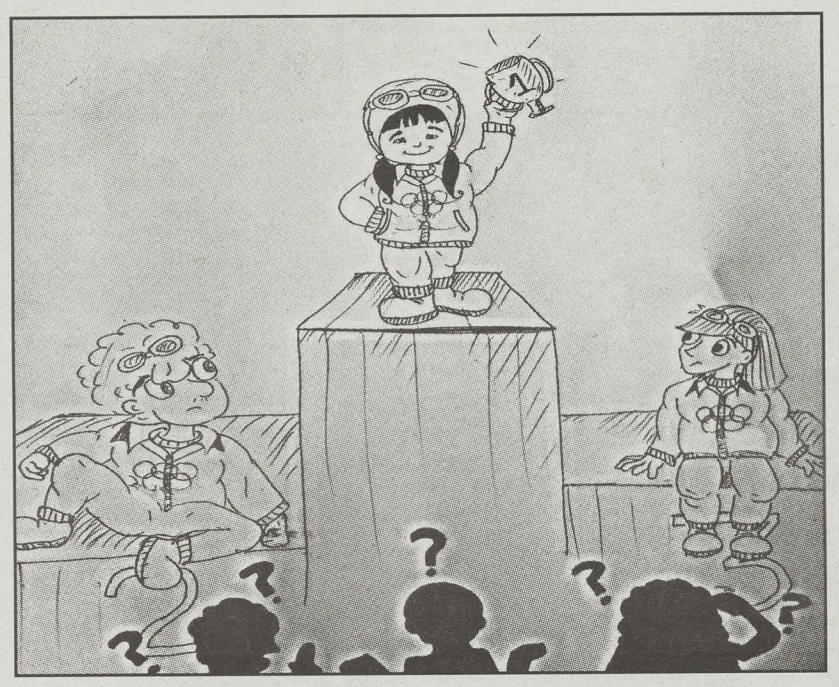
Surprisingly, South Korea's Yu-na Kim earned a silver medal, even though Russian skater Adelina Sotnikova stumbled in her final performance of the competition.

The results raise a number of questions, such as the following: Was there any foul play involved with the judging? Should the IOC reevaluate the judging process for this event? Does the dissatisfied public deserve answers?

Let's look at the potential for foul play. The nine judges were chosen from a pool of 13, and the bulk of the judges were only working one event – either the long or the short skating program. So after the first event, some members of the judging panel were switched out.

Judges from the U.S., South Korea, Great Britain and Sweden were replaced by two judges who have been cast under a harsh light. Ukranian Yuri Balkov was kicked out of judging for a year after a Canadian judge recorded him trying to fix the Nagano ice dancing competition on tape, according to an article from USA Today.

A second replacement judge was Alla Shekhovtseva, who is married to Russian Federation general director Valentin Pissev. Finally, a third replacement judge from France, which was also the country



that conspired with Russia to try and fix the pairs and ice dancing competition at the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympic Games.

What was IOC's response?

Fox Sports reported that IOC Spokesman Mark Adams said, "I think you're getting a little ahead of yourself." Adams commented further that there has been no "official complaint" from South Korea, or any other country for that matter, and that until there is, the "scandal" does not exist.

But what about the **Change.org** petition circulating the globe? One that has gathered close to two million signatures, with 90 percent of the signatures stemming from South Korea.

The petition, though, does not require the judges to re-examine the women's figure skating results. It is simply calling the IOC to action and demanding more transparency in the judging system.

We would like to see the IOC at least state on record that the scores are final, the judging was honest and merit-based, and that the world should simply train hard and come back in four years.

We also do not believe the general public holds any merit when it comes to judging female figure skating, or any professional sport for that matter.

However, the IOC should at least acknowledge the controversy surrounding its results.

The IOC can easily send out a statement to the public critics and explain the judging process.

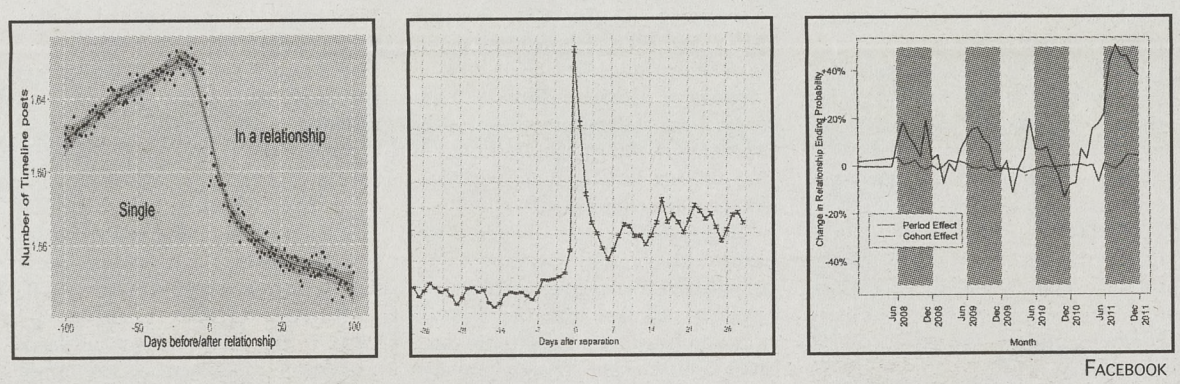
Although the play-by-play and points accumulated through each figure skating performance is available on ESPN, there is no explanation as to how each lift, spin and turn in the video is judged.

If the IOC continues to ignore the public voice, especially when it's close to two million voices, we feel that the IOC and Sochi will both acquire a negative reputation.

As long as the IOC handles this controversy, the public will likely settle down. For the time being, however, it seems like the IOC is just trying to skate by without addressing the problem.

# CAN FACEBOOK FIND MY NEXT BOYFRIEND?

**By Joann Row**
*Opinions Editor*




FACEBOOK

Facebook has the data capabilities to tell me who will be the next person I'm going to date. Well, that's a relief.

"Relationships start with a period of courtship: on Facebook, messages are exchanged, profiles are visited, posts are shared on each other's timelines," according to Facebook Data Scientist Carlos Greg Diuk.

Right before Valentine's Day, the Facebook data team posted a six-series installment that shows a number of statistical graphs projecting the probabilities of a lasting relationship.

Each installment featured different sets of relationships, such as marriage, young love and soon-to-expire dating patterns among Facebook users.

To sum it up, Facebook data tracks people who went from "single" to "in a relationship" and vice versa.

The Facebook trackers keep tabs on Facebook users who are at least 23 years old and whose status says, "in a relationship" for at least three months.

Through the power of Facebook tracking, Facebook data finds a trend in the courtship and relationship patterns to predict the months in which they are likely to end.

Did your loving Facebook relationship expire, just like the chart projected it would? Facebook can tell you who your next compatible suitor will be ... even though they have yet to tell me.

Apparently, a Facebook data scientist can take a scroll through your timeline posts and judge whom you're interested in and who is interested in you.

"During the 100 days before the relationship starts, we observe a slow but steady increase in the number of timeline posts shared between the future couple," Diuk's said in a post.

It's a good sign when the timeline posts begin to slow down after the first 100 days before the "in a relationship" status is made public, according to Diuk's data.

In theory, this is because after the first 100 days of a relationship, a couple is spending more physical time together and less time corresponding through Facebook.

Facebook can also predict when the relationship might be nearing its end date based on the increase of moral support from Facebook friends on the wall. These messages can be vague but a high volume of pre-breakup correspondence is compared against the decreasing Facebook interaction between you and your soon-to-be ex-partner.

What I find amusing is that I'm only 24 years old and I don't recall using Facebook as a means to define my past relationships. Is Facebook not taking into account those who don't post a relationship status?

There were definitely a few relationships I shared on Facebook that bordered on the lines of "in a relationship" and "single" ... and then, "in a relationship" again.

Ever since then, however, I have chosen to keep my relationship status completely hidden. I guess many of my fellow 23-year-old friends agree since they have followed suit.

I'm curious to know who exactly makes up the Facebook demographic the data team is following? Has there been any success in trending relationships through Facebook posts? Did these relationships ever materialize?

Although the data team may have some evidence that highlights the success and failures of relationships, I have a hard time believing this method applies to the general Facebook demographic, seeing as many people, in a relationship or not, leave their relationship status blank.

I also don't message anyone that I'm dating on Facebook and they don't message me.

Additionally, I did date someone for three years and we stopped being friends on Facebook after the first year of the relationship. Did that determine the demise, even though the break-up came two years later?

So tell me Facebook, am I going to be forever alone? According to these graphs, I just might be.

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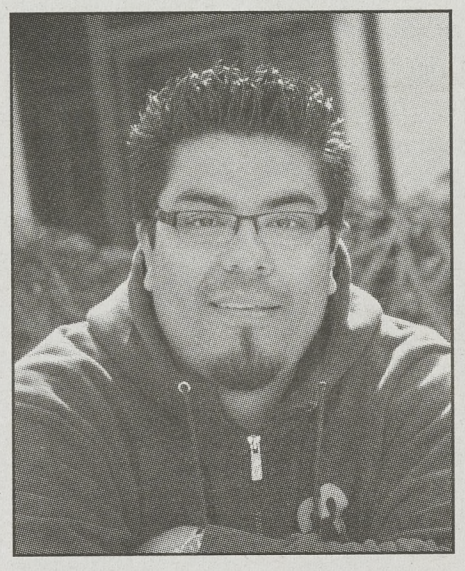
# *Campus Voice*

## *Will the public voice lead to reevaluation of the women's figure skating results?*

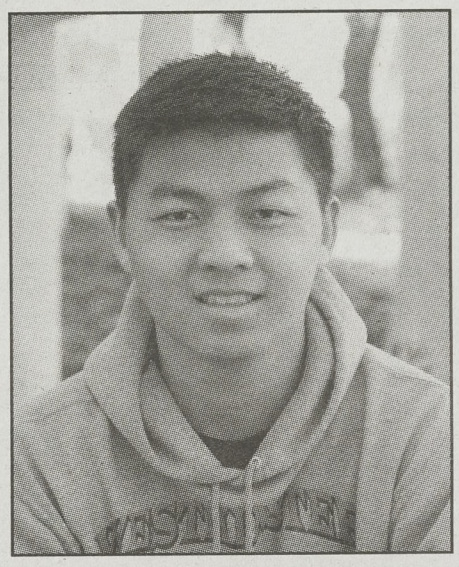


*"I don't think it can be [changed] but it should be. Tne Olympic Committee [might have] "rigged judges'"*

**- Ben Cruz,**
**senior economics major**

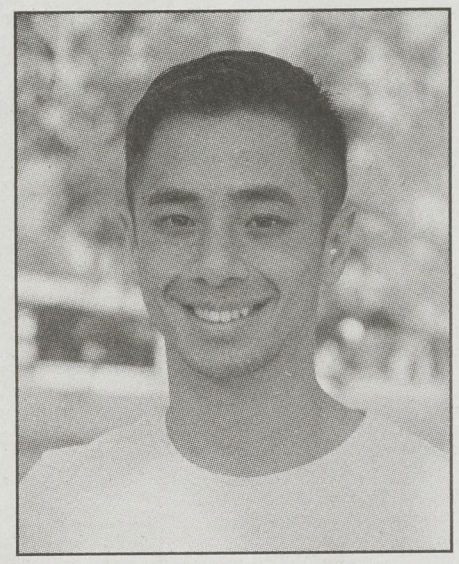
*"I'm not a professional at all so I don't think I can judge. There is always going to be scrutiny in the judging process."*

**- Lauren Golum,**
**sophomore criminal justice major**



*"[The public] may have a voice, but I don't think they'll be able to do anything about it."*

**- Kevin Suy,**
**senior criminal justice major**



*"I think the [public] voice can do something about it since the majority of judges were Russian."*

**- Leo Baligaya,**
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## UNICEF TAP PROJECT

**By Seth Rockenmacher**
*Contributing Writer*

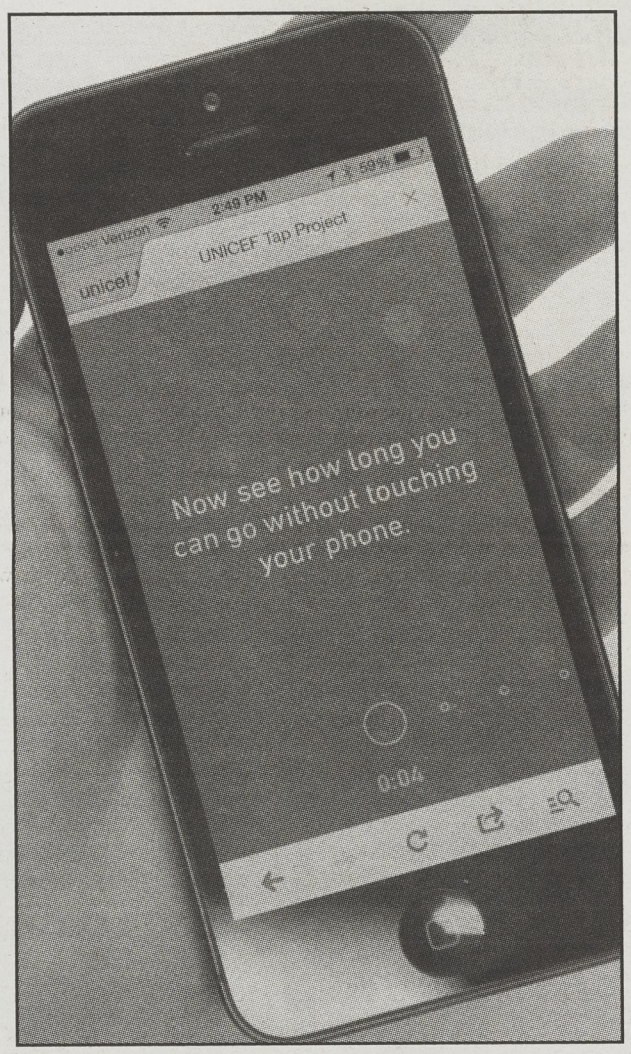
There's a new app for your phone, but unlike most others, it requires you to not touch your phone at all.

According to the Chronicle of Philanthropy, online donations increased 13.5 percent from 2012 to 2013, which marks the second year in a row with more than a 10 percent increase.

While it's debatable whether or not our hearts are growing, the increase may symbolize the convenience of donating online. If so, UNICEF, a global organization dedicated to helping children in need, has formulated the perfect plan to generate funds.

UNICEF's Project Tap is a campaign that lets people who may not have time or money to donate help provide kids in impoverished countries with clean drinking water.

According to **unicef.org**, 768 million people go without safe drinking water on a daily basis, with approximately 1,400 children dying from diseases linked to unsafe drinking water.

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*A new way to donate money requires smart phone users to see how long they can stay off of their phones.*

The campaign began in 2007, and Georgio Armani Fragrances has been a donor for the last five years. This year, the company plans to donate a minimum of $500,000, according to **unicef.org**.

Smart phone users can start by visiting the site for the project, **tap.unicefofusa.org**. Once there, click the start button and a stabilization detector will tell you to set your phone down. A clock will begin to run once stillness is detected, counting the time that has passed since you last touched your smart phone, while facts scroll across the screen for those who can't help but gaze longingly at the device.

According to Soraida Sanchez, a UNICEF representative, every ten minutes phone users refrain from touching their phones, the national sponsor, Georgio Armani Fragrances, donates enough money to provide one day's worth of safe drinking water for a child. It can be in the form of physical water or technology to obtain the water, such as a well.

She said the idea came from UNICEF.

"We needed a way to reach out to people," she said. "Everyone always has their phone in their hand. We got their attention with something we could do with the smart phones."

Among the countries receiving aid are Belize, Guatemala and Vietnam, according to **unicef.org**.

However, there seems to be more to the project than just providing clean water to children.

In today's on-the-go society, phone users are locked into their devices, looking down, trying to stay connected to the next big thing on the internet or among their peers.

The campaign challenges members of this generation to separate themselves from technology and as a result, provide aid to those who are less fortunate. The campaign is founded in the harsh truth that First World countries need to be more aware of what is happening in less developed societies.

Josh Seo, a sophomore communication major, displayed enthusiasm towards the cause.

"It would honestly help me get studying done while I was helping out a good cause," Seo said. "It would [also] increase personal interaction."

Edward Hart, a senior environmental science major said he jumped on board immediately.

"I'll just let my iPhone power through [the app] while I do homework," he said. "I could definitely get behind something like this."

The app can be run during class, at the gym or while getting ready for bed, so long as the phone is not touched.

The fundraiser will go from March 1 through March 31. Time accumulated by users before March will be included in the first donation on March 1.

## OUT OF PRINT

**By Joann Row**
*Opinions Editor*

The millennial generation has brought about a transformative wave in retail shopping: giving back while buying in.

Corporations have increasingly become more philanthropic, with their donations showing a higher increase than nonprofit foundations since the 1980s, according to Forbes.

Philanthropy is in, with companies such as Google, Target and Walmart being among the most charitable in 2012. However, a popular business model for both for-profit and nonprofit companies is centered around charity.

Companies, such as 31 Bits, sell 100 percent recycled beaded jewelry made by Ethiopian women who, in return, receive financial support and job stability. Another company, To Write Love on Her Arms, sells merchandise that promotes and contributes to a cause supporting those struggling with depression.

Facebook

*Out of Print encourages education by donating literature to those who are less fortunate.*

Another retailer, Out of Print, epitomizes this message and aims to appeal directly to the college demographic.

Launched in 2010 with a simple mission in mind, Out of Print is a start up company that highlights out-of-print literature through retail clothing, while incorporating a noble cause.

Before heading to the market, Out of Print partnered with Books for Africa, the largest organization in shipping, to donate books to Africa.

Similar to how Toms donates a pair of shoes to a community in need with every shoe purchase, Out of Print also donates a book through Books for Africa with every purchase.

In 2012, Books for Africa shipped an estimated 2.2 million books, 616 computers and 15 new law libraries to 22 African countries, according to the Books for Africa website.

Through the partnership with Books for Africa, Out of Print was able to donate 875,000 books and projects to hit the 1 million mark before the end of this year, said Jenna Schmidt, Out of Print digital marketing manager.

Books for Africa ships textbooks, literature and learning resources, based on the needs of each community throughout Africa.

What originally started as a company that sold classic literature covers printed on t-shirts, has expanded into jewelry, phone covers, pouches, totes and more.

Schmidt said the idea was never to just print t-shirts but to simply inspire people to rediscover a love for literature in a creative way.

"Everything we do boils down to finding a fun and creative way for people to talk about books," Schmidt said. "We want to keep literature in the conversation as things become digitalized."

Their philosophy was inspired through other retailers who give back to communities in need, such as Toms, Schmidt said.

Outside of the website, Out of Print products can also be found at Barnes and Noble Inc. As the organization continues to grow in the retail market, the company is looking to move towards a fashion savvy consumer base.

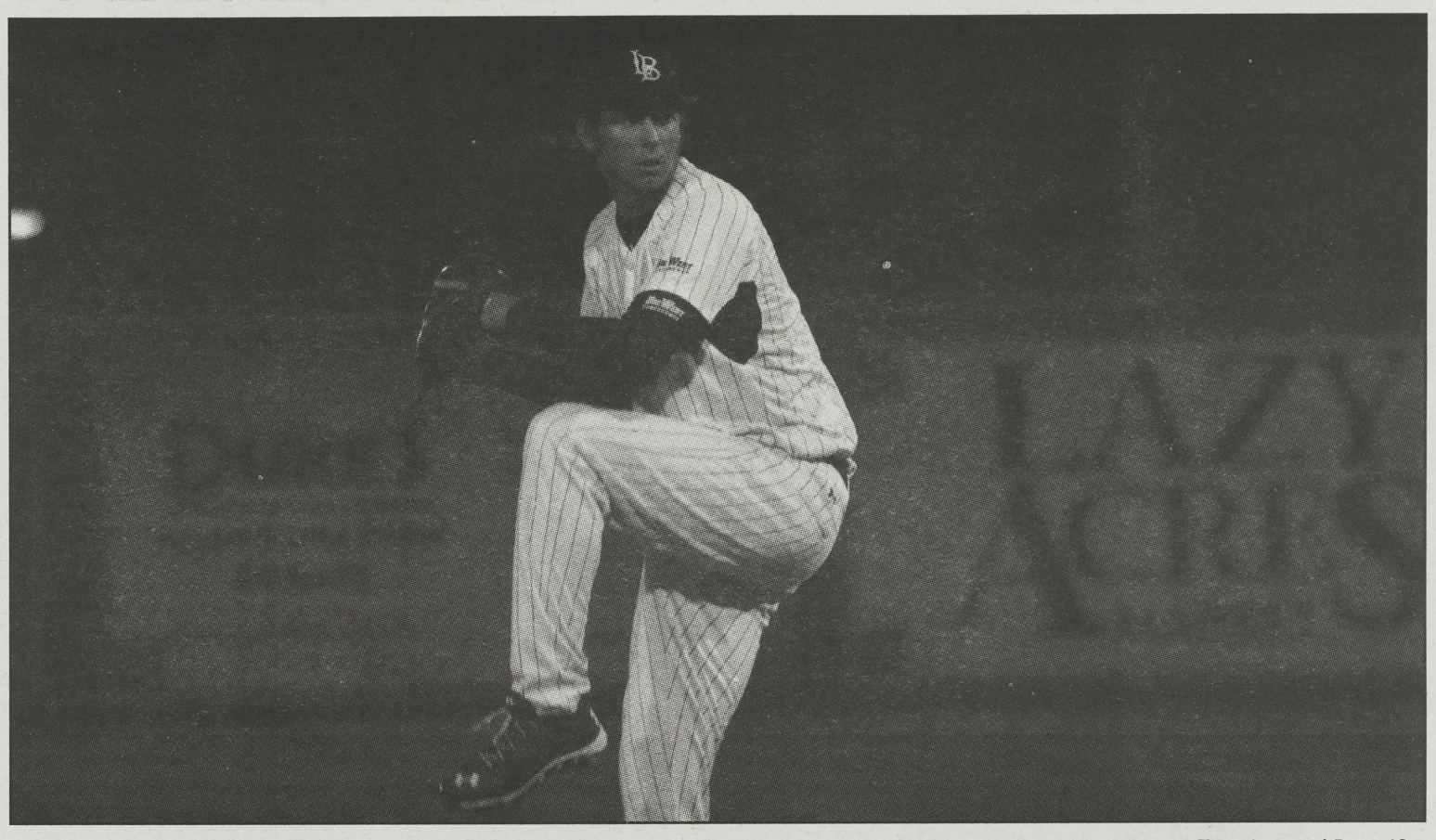
"We weren't [initially] targeting fashion through the subtle, graphic content," Schmidt said. "But there's been really great attention to the fashion demographic."

Out of Print's jewelry line, which Schmidt said was a year-long project and a labor of love, has caught the attention of many fashion-forward mavens.

The company, however, doesn't find success through a profit margin but in the satisfaction in consumers embracing social responsibility.

"I really believe whole-heartedly in our mission and I'm a book lover myself," Schmidt said.

Find the Out of Print catalogue on **outofprintclothing.com** and join in on the conversation on their Facebook page.



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*Cody Marshall winds up to throw a pitch in Tuesday's game against USC. Marshall gave up just one run in seven innings pitched.*

## DIRTBAGS

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He gave up a run in the first after giving up a single Southern California's (7-1) leadoff hitter Timmy Robinson. Robinson got to second base on a passed ball, moved to third on a groundout to first, and scored on a wild pitch.

"First inning, I was just a little nervous," Marshall said. "Second inning, Ty Provencher came up to me and told me to keep working."

Marshall responded by getting the next eight Trojans out. Marshall had an extremely solid outing, going seven innings and only allowing one run on five hits.

"Marshall threw arguably the best game of the year as far as any starter is concerned ... against a very hot team that has played winning baseball," head coach Troy Buckley said.

LBSU evened the score in the third. Nolan Meadows drew a leadoff walk and was bunted over by Daniel Jackson, a catcher also making his first career start for the Dirtbags. Alex Degoti singled to put runners on the corners, and Zack Domingues hit a scoring fly ball to right to tie the game. This came off Trojan pitcher Brooks Kriske, who made his first start of the season for USC.

The winning run came in the eighth inning off the bat of the true freshman, Garrett Hampson. The highly touted shortstop hit a ball past the diving Trojan first baseman. Colton Vaughn, who was in to pinch run for Jackson who walked, got in under the tag at home, giving the Dirtbags the 2-1 lead.

"I got down 0-2 in the count," Hampson said. "Two strikes, you just have to do anything you can to put it in play. Luckily, it found a hole for me."

Kyle Friedrichs came on in the ninth and retired the 3-4-5 hitters for the Trojans to put an end to their undefeated season.

"To get the win was a really big positive," Buckley said. "The one thing we talked about yesterday, no free opportunities. We did not walk a guy, nor did we hit a guy, or did we make an error."

LBSU will now hit the road to play a weekend series at Wichita State.

## SPENCER

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Long Beach, which he said is most different from Kansas in that it has a lot more scenery.

"In Kansas, we have a couple lakes, we have a couple hills," Spencer said. "We don't have what they have out here with mountains, great beaches, beautiful people … .basketball out here, you get to play basketball all the time because it's always warm."

Spencer's hometown of Shawnee lies just outside of Kansas City on the eastern border of the state. Spencer said that while the Midwestern stereotype of nothing but plains and farms may be true of parts of the state, he grew up in a more urban setting.

"Where I'm from is a big city, like a million people, so it's not as rural as everybody thinks it is," he said, noting that the plains are mostly in western Kansas. "We went to UC Davis this past weekend, and that reminded me of western Kansas."

Since coming to The Beach, Spencer has grown into a reliable starter. Monson said what sets Spencer apart is what he doesn't do.

"I always say A.J. [Spencer] doesn't do anything great, but he does everything good," he said. "He doesn't do anything bad."

Spencer epitomizes the change LBSU wanted to make following the week of March 20, 2013. While Keala King, Tony Freeland and the rest of the 49ers were being annihilated on the court at Baylor's Ferrell Center, Spencer was making his decision to come to The Beach.

"A.J. [Spencer] is a quality person," Monson said. "He's a man, he knows right from wrong and he's a good student. He represents this university the way we want it represented."

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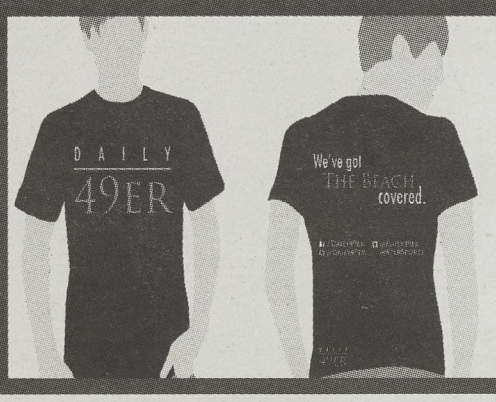


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# NOT IN KANSAS ANYMORE

Junior guard A.J. Spencer didn't ride a tornado from Kansas to Oz, but he did make it to Long Beach, where he has become a reliable starter for the 49ers.

**By Jason Clark**
*Sports Editor*

For most Long Beach State fans, almost everything about the week of March 20, 2013 was something they'd like to forget.

Almost everything.

That was the week the 49ers stumbled into Waco, Texas to face Baylor in the first round of the National Invitational Tournament. Fresh off of a loss in the Big West Tournament semifinals, the unmotivated 49ers went on to endure one of the worst losses in school history, a 112-66 drubbing on national television.

By that time, head coach Dan Monson and his staff knew that roster changes would be coming. They knew there would be holes to fill and were scrambling to find solutions.

One of those solutions was found in Hutchinson, Kansas, the site of the 2013 National Junior College Tournament. While most of the 49ers were on the road trip to Waco, assistant coaches Eric Brown and Rod Palmer traveled north to Hutchinson. It was there that they saw A.J. Spencer, captain of the Hutchinson Junior College basketball team that went 32-3 that year.

"We had no prior knowledge of him, had never seen him play or anything, but he played very well on a huge stage," Monson said. "His recruiting went from not knowing who he was in the middle of March to signing in the middle of April."

Spencer's team lost in the second round of the tournament, but he came away with an opportunity to play at LBSU. It was a school he had known and seen because of its tendency to schedule games in tough road environments — like the one in Allen Fieldhouse, home of the Kansas Jayhawks.

"The thing that put them up above every other mid-major was that we went here and played the best teams every year and had the hardest preseason," Spencer said.

"I wanted to play against the best and have a chance to beat the best."

Spencer got a chance to do just that right away at The Beach, as the 49ers faced Arizona for their second game of the season. They also played 120 miles from Spencer's hometown when they faced Kansas State in Manhattan, Kansas. It was his first time returning home since he got out to

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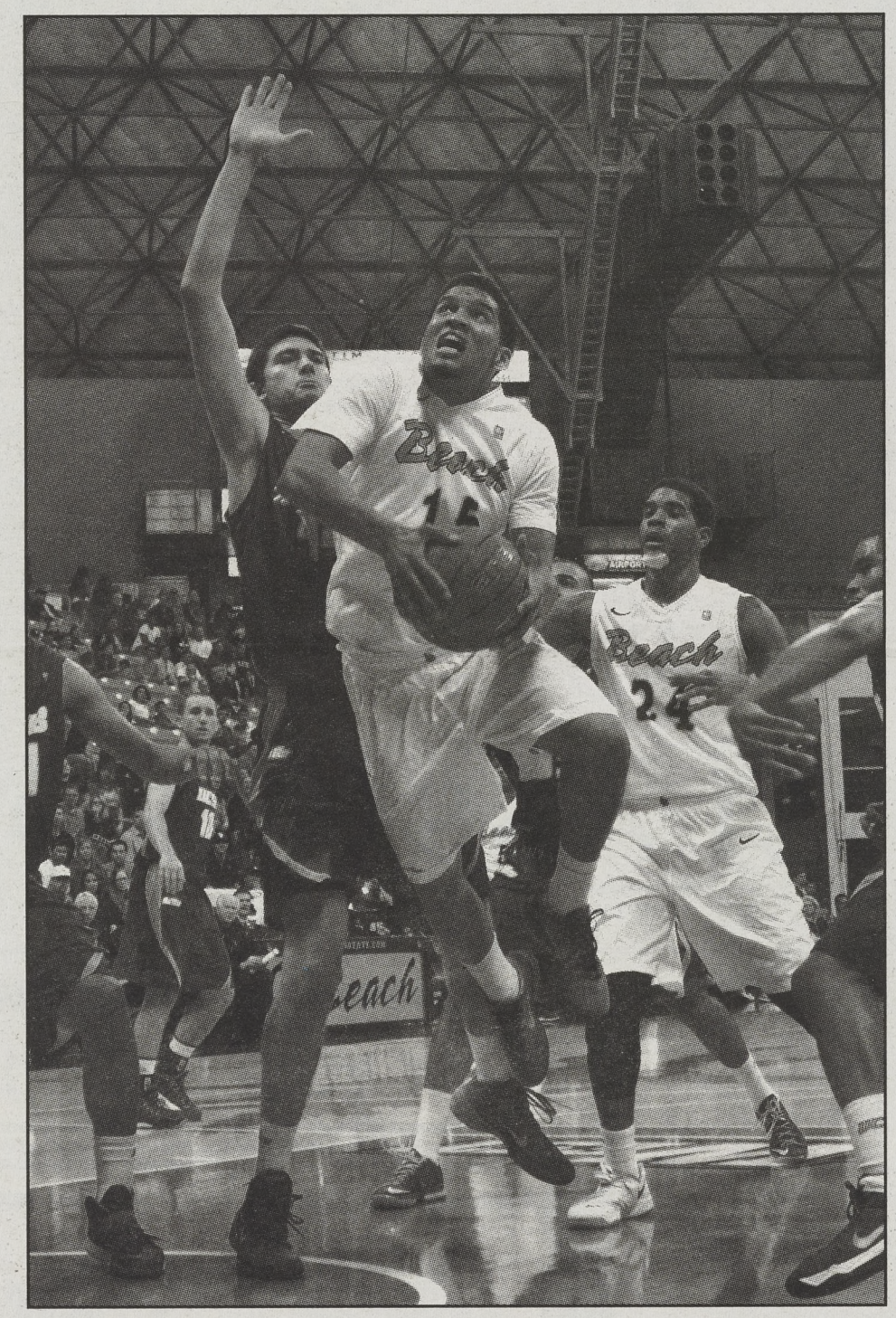

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*A.J. Spencer (15) has averaged 9.3 points per game in his first season as a 49er.*

# Freshmen help Dirtbags beat undefeated Trojans

Cody Marshall throws seven solid innings and Garrett Hampson drives in the winning run.

**By Alex Campos**
*Assistant Sports Editor*

The 2,697 fans that entered Blair Field Tuesday night saw the Dirtbags end Southern California's perfect season with a 2-1 victory.

Tuesday night saw the highest attendance since the season finale of the 2012 season, a game where the Dirtbags played Cal State Fullerton for the Big West Title.

"It's amazing, to know that your hometown comes to watch you like this and support you," starting pitcher Cody Marshall said. "It feels great."

Those in attendance watched as Marshall made his first career start for Long Beach State (3-5). It was Marshall's second appearance of the season, the first being a solid 4.1 innings of work against Vanderbilt in the second game of the season.

The freshman out of Los Alamitos had a rough start to Tuesday's game.

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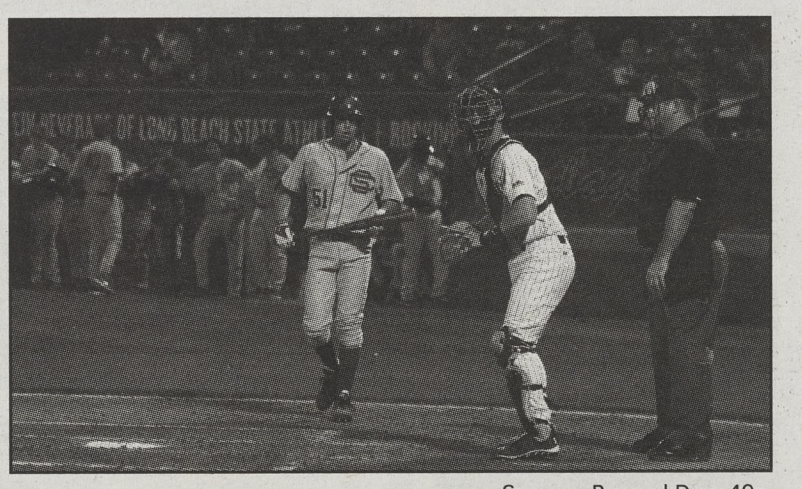

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*Catcher Daniel Jackson looks for signs as a USC batter comes to bat.*

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**Thursday**
Women's basketball
at Hawaii, 9 p.m.
Stan Sheriff Center

Softball
Mayfair Invitational
vs. Nevada, 4:30 p.m.
vs. Utah Valley, 7:00 p.m.
Mayfair Park

Men's basketball
vs. Hawaii, 7:30 p.m.
Walter Pyramid

**Friday**
Baseball
at Wichita State, 1 p.m.
Wichita, Kan.

Women's water polo
vs. UC San Diego, 6 p.m.
Campus Pool

Softball
Mayfair Invitational
vs. UCLA, 7 p.m.
Mayfair Park

Men's volleyball
vs. Stanford, 7 p.m.
Walter Pyramid

Indoor track
MPSF Championships, all day
Seattle

**Saturday**
Women's tennis
vs. BYU, 12 p.m.
Rhodes Tennis Center

Baseball
at Wichita State, 2 p.m.
Wichita, Kan.

Women's basketball
vs. Cal State Fullerton, 4 p.m.
Walter Pyramid

Men's basketball
at Cal State Fullerton, 6 p.m.
Titan Gym

Men's volleyball
vs. Pacific, 7 p.m.
Walter Pyramid

Softball
Mayfair Invitational
vs. Michigan, 4:30 p.m.
Mayfair Park

Indoor track
MPSF Championships, all day
Seattle

Women's water polo
Cal Lutheran Tournament
First round, TBA
Second round, TBA
Thousand Oaks, Calif.

**Sunday**
Softball
Mayfair Invitational
vs. Northwestern, 9 a.m.
Mayfair Park

Baseball
at Wichita State, 11 a.m.
Wichita, Kan.

Women's water polo
Cal Lutheran Tournament
Third round, TBA
Final round, TBA
Thousand Oaks, Calif.